

## **William Dartmouth Welcomes the British Marine Industry's Highest Level of Revenue Since 2008**

William Dartmouth MEP welcomed the news that the British Marine Industry is reporting a big increase in revenue, with a £3.12 billion income in 2017, up 3.4%, the highest since 2008.



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Commenting on the positive news, said William: "Boating tourism in the South West remains popular, and the region is still an attractive place for leisure activities, despite expressed fears over Brexit. The industry continues to grow, and can thrive, as the UK prepares to leave the European Union."

Nationally the sector support approximately 33,000 jobs within the UK manufacturing and service industry. In the South West region, Paul Singer, Secretary and Business Development officer of British Marine said "Many of our members in the South West have reported strong sales in 2017 and some report full order books mainly as a result of the lower value of sterling as well as offering a quality British built product."